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Spring-run Chinook salmon placed in net pens at Friant Dam - Photo Credit: Winetta Owens

As part of the San Joaquin River Restoration Program, 54,000 juvenile spring-run Chinook salmon were transported from the Feather River Hatchery to holding pens below Friant Dam on February 18, 2015. The juvenile salmon were held in the pens for several days acclimating to the river, and then they were transported further down the river, held again for a short time, and released into the San Joaquin River not far from the ocean. Some of these fish are anticipated to return to the river as adults beginning in spring 2017 when they will be monitored to help inform spring-run salmon reintroduction efforts.

For more information on the spring-run Chinook salmon at Friant Dam, please visit:

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